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For: **IMAGE FORMING TONER, 2-COMPONENT DEVELOPER, IMAGE FORMING METHOD AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING IMAGE FORMING TONER**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 19, 2003, Applicants herein cancel claims 11, 23-26 and 28-32.

REMARKS

Claims 9, 11, 13-16, 18-26 and 28-32 are pending in the application. Claims 9, 13-16 and 18-22 are allowed. Claims 11, 23-26 and 28-32 are rejected.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 11, 23-26, and 28-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification at the time the application was filed.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and §103(a)

Claims 11, 23-26, and 28-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Hirao et al. in U.S. Patent 6,175,715.